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PATENT

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:  
Seth A. Foerster et al.

Application No.: 10/690,351

Filed: October 21, 2003

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
ATTACHING CONNECTIVE TISSUES TO BONE  
USING A SUTURE ANCHORING DEVICE

Examiner: Vi X. Nguyen

Art Unit: 3734

Confirmation No.: 4188

**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL  
OFFICE ACTION**

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 24, 2008, Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and respectfully submit the following amendments set forth below and request favorable action thereon.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.